

► DNR's stewardship depends on the expertise of professionals trained in a wide variety of fields. Among DNR's employees, you'll find foresters, geologists, economists, firefighters, engineers, surveyors, biologists and many others.



DNR KEEPS TRACK OF WASHINGTON'S INACTIVE AND ABANDONED METAL MINES

DNR's Geology and Earth Resources Division investigates and reports on physical hazards, water and soil contamination, and resource potential at abandoned sites. This information goes into a searchable database.



DNR HAS ITS OWN COMMERCIAL DIVE TEAM

Eight highly trained professional divers provide enforcement of geoduck harvesting contracts, remove derelict fishing gear, and assist scientific projects. They also provide dive training to other organizations, including the US Navy.

DNR IS HOME TO THE NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM

The Program maintains a comprehensive database of Washington's important natural resources, and identifies lands to be added to the state's natural areas system.



DNR PROTECTS ABOUT 12.7 MILLION ACRES OF TRIBAL, PRIVATE, AND STATE FOREST LANDS FROM WILDFIRE.

That's more than half of the state's 21.8 million acres of forested land. Federal and tribal agencies provide protection for the remainder.



DNR-MANAGED AQUATIC LANDS SUPPORT A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS

In 2006, nearly 2/3 of the dollars generated from state aquatic lands through activities such as geoduck harvesting and marina leases went into the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, funding stewardship of aquatic lands as well as local projects that restore and enhance critical aquatic habitat and provide public access to aquatic lands.

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